

Please delete the title "~~Prior art~~" at page 1, line 20:

Please delete the title "~~Patent claims~~" at page 6, line 1, and replace it with the paragraph:

--What is/claimed is:--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

AL As shown in Fig. 3, the projections 8 which are severed and bonded to each other in Fig. 2 as test pieces 14 can also be divided into individual test piece sections 16. These test piece sections 16 are firstly easier to handle than the test piece 14 during the testing of the adhesive joint on account of their smaller size. Secondly, a plurality of tests of an adhesive joint can be carried out in this manner, which increases the accuracy of the result of the testing of the quality of the adhesive joint. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims ~~1-5~~.

Please add new claims 6-18 as follows:

6. A method for producing at least one test piece for testing an adhesive joint, comprising:

AN (a) providing at least two joining parts, each joining part comprising at least one joining edge and at least one projection formed integrally to the joining part and having a test edge;

(b) positioning the joining parts so that at least one joining edge and at least one test edge of each joining part overlap at least partially;

(c) forming the adhesive joint in a region between at least one joining edge and at least one test edge of the joining parts;

(d) severing at least one of the joined projections from the joining parts;

(e) providing at least one of the severed projections as a test piece; and

(f) providing at least one of the severed joining parts for non-test purposes.

7. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the severed test piece is divided into a plurality of test piece sections.

8. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the adhesive joint is formed along a single edge comprising a joining edge and a test edge of each joining part.

9. The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the adhesive joint is formed along a single edge comprising a joining edge and a test edge of each joining part.

10. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein at least one adhesive seam is formed by the adhesive joint.

11. The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein step (d) comprises severing the projections substantially perpendicularly to the adhesive seam.

12. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the joining parts comprise a fiber reinforced material.

13. A method for evaluating an adhesive joint formed between two parts of an assembly, comprising:

- (a) providing the two parts, each part comprising a projection;
- (b) positioning the parts so that at least a portion of the parts overlap, the overlapping portions including at least a portion of the projections;
- (c) forming the adhesive joint in a region between the overlapping portions;
- (d) severing the joined projections from the joined parts; and
- (e) testing the adhesive joint formed between the severed projections to determine the properties of the adhesive joint formed between the joined parts.

14. The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the joined projections are divided into a plurality of test piece sections.

15. The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the adhesive joint is formed along a single edge of each part, the single edge extending along at least a portion of the projection of each part.

16. The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein at least one adhesive seam is formed by the adhesive joint.

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17. The method as claimed in claim 16, wherein step (d) comprises severing the joined projections substantially perpendicularly to an adhesive seam.

18. The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the joining parts comprise a fiber reinforced material.